



Claimant's preliminary hearing request is for the respondent to continue providing for the lifelong anticoagulation therapy. The Administrative Law Judge, however, denied claimant's request finding that claimant's work-related accident is not the reason for the need for the lifelong anticoagulation therapy.

After a review of the preliminary hearing record, the Appeals Board agrees with the decision of the Administrative Law Judge that claimant's present need for further medical treatment is not work related. A medical report from James E. Davia, M.D., a board-certified cardiologist who reviewed the claimant's medical records and examined the claimant at the respondent's request, was entered into the record. He opined that the claimant has an inherent biochemistry deficiency and the claimant's need for the lifelong anticoagulation therapy is related to this deficiency and not to his work-related injury.

**WHEREFORE**, it is the finding, decision, and order of the Appeals Board that the Order of Administrative Law Judge George R. Robertson, dated February 14, 1995, is affirmed and remains in full force and effect.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated this \_\_\_\_ day of April, 1995.

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George R. Robertson, Administrative Law Judge  
George Gomez, Director